Decision not to host 1992 Olympics

2435. SHRI GHULAM RASOOL MATTO:

SHRI S. W. DHABE:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have taken a decision not be host 1992 World Olympics and informed the Indian Olympic Association in the matter; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS AND WOMEN WELFARE (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The chief reason was constraint of resources.

Victims of Road accidents in Delhi

2436. SHRI J. P. GOYAL: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) what are the facilities available to the victims of road accidents in Delhi;

(b) whether it is a fact that most of the victims of road accidents in the capital do not get any sort of compensation due to ignorance about the procedural facilities available; and

(c) if so what steps are proposed to be taken to give wide publicity in this regard to make people aware of the existing facilities including the procedure to be adopted and the authorities to be approached?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) Legal heirs of the deceased in fatal road accidents, and victims who suffer serious injury as a result of road accidents involving motor vehicles are entitled to compensation under Section 92A and 110A of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1939. While under the provisions of Section 92A, an interim compensation of Rs. 15,000|- in case of death and Rs. 7,500|- in case of permanent disability is payable on the principle of "no fault liability", the compensation on proof of fault under Section 110A of the Act is awarded by the Motor Accident Claims Tribunal, on the merits of each claim case. In addition, in case of hit and run motor accident cases, a fixed sum of solatium of Rs. 5,000|- in case of death and Rs. 1,000|- in case of grevious hurt is payable, under the Solatium Fund Scheme.

(b) and (c) Delhi Administration have intimated that they have been ensuring adequate publicity regarding the facility of compensation in accident cases, through Press & T.V., especially when the sitting of Lok Adalat take place from time to time.

During the last two years, i.e. 1984-85 and 1985-86 (upto Jan. 1986), Rs. 327 lakhs has been awarded to 1773 road accidents victims. As for grant of Solatium, an amount of Rs. 2.99 lakhs have been so far paid in the hit and run cases covering 70 claims.

Goods Sheds constructed on Trivandrum-Nagarcoil route

2437. SHRI N. E. BALARAM: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some goods sheds constructed by the Southern Railways at Jraniyel Kuzhitura and Neyyattinkara in the Trivandrum-Nagarcoil route are not being used by railways;

(b) if so, what are the details of these goods sheds and the money spent for their construction; and

(c) what steps are being taken to make use of these sheds?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Goods sheds at Eraniel, Kulitturai and Neyyattinkara stations were constructed at cost of Rs. 96,097|-, Rs. 76,552 and Rs. 54,499|- respectively. Eraniel and Neyyattinkara goods sheds were not opened for traffic as the anticipated traffic

did not materalise. Kulitturai station was opened for goods booking but was closed w.e.f. 1-1-85 due to meagre earnings from goods traffic offered at this station.

(c) The Railways propose to use these goods sheds as Departmental godowns, till such time offering of goods traffic justifies opening of stations for goods booking.

Reclassification of the Artisan staff

2438. SHRI YELLA SESI BHUSHANA RAO: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that agreements were reached in the reclassification Committee meeting held in June and July 1984 for reclassification of the artisan staff which included Lifters, Chippers, moulders, greaser/oiler, grinders hand crane operators etc.;

(b) whether orders have since been issued on the basis of the above agreement; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) to (c) The Joint Committee of Labour and Administration, set up by the Railway Board for resolving the residual work of Railway Workers' Classification Tribunal 1986 in regard to reclassification of Unskilled, Semi-Skilled and skilled artisan staff, in the meeting held on 1st & 2nd June, 1984 made various recommendations including the recommendation regarding reclassification of the following 8 Semi-Skilled Grade (Rs. 210-290) to skilled Grade (Rs. 260-400).

(1) Chipper-Moulder (Printing Press)

(2) Grinder (Rough)

(3) Lifter

(4) Sawyer-Wood (Hand)

(5) Greaser (Oiler)

(6) Hand Crane Operator

(7) White-Washer (Brush Hand)

(8) Hand Press Operator.

After detailed discussions on these recommendations the Department of Railways (Railway Board) came to the conclusion that the reclassification of the semi-skilled trades mentioned above would have repercussions in the other Departments of the Central Govenrment, where similar categories exist, and hence decided that the proposal for this reclassification should be deferred (pending these consultations), whilst the other recommendations were processed for sanction.

Seminar on vocationalization of education

2439. SHRI DHULESHWAR MEENA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a seminar was organised by the Indian Institute of Applied Manpower Research on vocationalization of education at the secondary and higher secondary level in which it was suggested that vocational education programme should be centrally-sponsored in order to relate employment opportunities with vocational training and financial needs;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the seminar has also recommended that vocationalization should begin at the level of Class VIII and it should be flexible to enable horizontal and vertical mobility; and

(c) if so, what is Government's reaction thereto and the steps proposed to be taken to vocationaiize education?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHTAGI): (a) and (b) The Indian Institute of Applied Manpower Re-